

WELCOME TO OLG PRESCHOOL!

It's time to talk about "back to school." Welcome new OLG families and welcome back to all returning students. It is our pleasure to help your children familiarize themselves with OLG, the staff, and the facility this school year. As we transition into another school year here at Our Lady of Guadalupe Preschool, we like to prepare our little ones for all of the new challenges and adventures ahead. We look forward to making your child feel at home in their new school and in the classroom by guiding them carefully throughout their new environment. Communication is a key factor in ensuring their success. Each month we will send a newsletter regarding events, class themes, and important activities around school. If you have any questions or concerns you may direct them to any of our staff.

New Teachers!

After a lengthy and careful screening process, many interviews, prayers, and reflection, I am happy to introduce to you our new afternoon Sunshine Room Teachers,
Mrs. Obando and Mrs. Alvarez!

We welcome Mrs. Esther Obando, who joined us in February as our on-call substitute. She loved working with our students and decided to return to school to take the necessary coursework to become a Preschool Teacher. Mrs. Obando recently became a Certified Phlebotomy Technician and enjoys volunteering in animal shelters.

We also welcome Mrs. Karina Alvarez, who comes to us with a Bachelors in Liberal Studies with an emphasis in Early Childhood Education from California State University, Dominguez Hill and an A.A. degree in Early Childhood Education from El Camino College. In addition, Mrs. Alvarez has been granted a California Early Childhood Education Teaching Credential. Mrs. Alvarez has worked with preschool aged children for over 10 years.

I am confident that with their fresh ideas and enthusiasm, the school year will be full of exciting and fun discoveries.

School Supplies

The following supplies will be brought twice: At the start of the school year and again after Christmas.

- Kleenex box
- Clorox Disinfecting Wipes
- Baby Wipes (Unscented)
- Paper Towel Rolls
- One ream of white copy paper
- Softsoap™ or any Antibacterial Hand Soap



Parent Reminders:

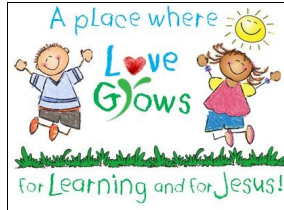
- ◆ Children must wear their uniform. The uniform is comprised of a red, white, khaki, powder blue or navy blue t-shirt or collared polo shirt with or without OLG logo, blue sweatpants or blue shorts, red and blue plaid skirt, or skort.
- ◆ Children must wear tennis shoes and socks to run and play outside safely.
- ◆ **NO PEANUT PRODUCTS, PLEASE!** We are a peanut product free preschool. We ask parents to be mindful when packing snacks and lunches and not to send peanut butter crackers and/or sandwiches, granola bars that may have peanuts, or peanuts of any kind. We also encourage parents to read labels as many products have hidden peanut ingredients.
- ◆ Please label all of your child's belongings with their first and last name. This includes sweaters, lunch boxes, water bottles, blankets, and your child's extra clothes. This will help us ensure everything gets returned properly.
- ◆ Please remember to sign in and sign out your child every day.

Concepts for Children to Learn

- ◆ A school is a place for children to learn and grow.
- ◆ Teachers are people at school that guide, love, and help us.
- ◆ At school we follow a schedule of activities each day.
- ◆ There are rules we need to follow at school to keep everyone safe and happy.
- ◆ We will learn many things at school, like our letters, numbers, shapes, and all about God's love.
- ◆ We will learn that when we come to school it is okay to miss our families, but we will remember that they always come back.

Possible Book Selections For Home:

- ◆ The Kissing Hand
- ◆ Froggy Goes To School
- ◆ The Wheels on the Bus
- ◆ I Love You All Day Long
- ◆ Maisy Goes To Preschool



Mark Your Calendar

- Friday, August 18:** Wine and Cheese Social 5:00pm-6:00pm— **Adults Only**
- Saturday, August 19:** Children's "Tea Party" 10:30am-11:30am
- Wednesday, August 23:** First Day of School-7:00am
Everyone in Uniform
- Wednesday, August 30:** Back to School Night
6:15pm-7:00pm



Planning Ahead

- Monday, September 4:** Labor Day-Preschool Closed
- Friday, October 13:** Trike-A-Thon 4:00pm-6:00pm

SMART Tuition

If you have not signed up for SMART Tuition, please do so as soon as possible. If you were signed up last year, your account has been rolled over. Please visit enrollwithsmart.com and use our school code **11853**.

Families may pay in 12-monthly installments, or pay in full by August 30th to receive a 3% discount. If you choose to pay in full to receive the discount, please contact Mrs. Wilcox directly so she can adjust your account accordingly.

Congratulations!!!

Elizabeth is a BIG SISTER! The Gonzales Family welcomed their baby boy last week!

Ms. Valencia is pregnant! She is excited to welcome her first child January 2018!

Ms. Newby is getting married this weekend! We wish her and her husband a lifetime filled with love and happiness!

Share Day

Sunshine Room— Mondays

Rainbow Room—Fridays

Share day opportunities will begin

Monday, August 28.

Your child may bring only one toy to share with his/her friends. Please be aware that they will be playing with it at designated times. Therefore, please do not send something that may be of value to you and your family.

Swords or weapons of any kind are not allowed.

Having a discussion at home about his/her share toy will help them build the confidence to talk about it in front of their friends. Last but not least, please send a toy that will fit in his/her cubby or backpack.



Happy Birthday!!!

Mrs. Alvarez 8/13

Alex 8/17

Colin 8/28



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Almighty God, we give you our school. We give you all the teachers and staff who work here, we give you all the children who learn here, and we give you our parents who are a child's lifetime teachers. We pray our school would be place of great discovery, adventure and creativity. May it be a place where we love to learn and where we learn to love, A place where every one is respected and all are deeply valued. We ask all this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

